**JOB DETAILS:**

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| **Job Title:** Senior Art Therapist/Psychotherapist | **Department:** Clinical | **Location:** England South Hub |
| **Status:** Permanent | **Hours:** 18.75 | **Reporting to:** Principal Clinical Psychologist |
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| ESSENTIAL | | DESIRABLE |
| Qualifications & Experience | * MA/MSc in Art Therapy/Art Psychotherapy or Postgraduate Diploma (MA/MSc equivalent) in Art Therapy/Art Psychotherapy. * Professional registration with the Health and Care Professions Council. | * Full membership of BAAT. |
| Previous Experience | * Experience of working as an art therapist in adult mental health settings with a wide variety of client groups presenting with problems that reflect the full range of mental health disorders experienced by veterans (e.g., trauma, anxiety disorders, depression, substance misuse) of varying clinical severity. * Experience of generic psychological therapist responsibilities, such as clinical screening, risk assessments, clinical assessment, or support network assessment. | * Experience of working with mental health services with British Veterans. * Experience of the application of art therapy in different cultural contexts. * Delivery of a manualised art therapy model. * Experience of audit & evaluation. * Research & service development experience. * Experience of supporting funding bids and writing outcome reports. |
| Skills/Knowledge | * Skills in the use of art therapy assessment and intervention for the full range of problems of severity and complexity presented in adult mental health, including challenging behaviours. * Knowledge and skills in the theory and practice of trauma-informed art therapy. * Skills in developing evidence-based art therapy. * Some training in, or working knowledge of, evidence-based trauma treatments, such as TFCBT, NET, CFT, or EMDR. * Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, with clients, their families, carers, and other professional colleagues, both with statutory and non-statutory services. * Able to work autonomously. * Able to make and keep effective working relationships. * Evidence of commitment to continuing professional development as required by the Health and Care Professions Council and BAAT. * Working knowledge of a range of art media and processes. * Able to formulate and communicate highly complex and sensitive client experiences in art therapy sessions. * Able to include service user and carer experiences when planning delivery of art therapy services. * Good IT skills. * Knowledge and understanding of the HCPC code of conduct. * Excellent leadership skills. * Conflict resolution skills. * Ability to develop and maintain a dynamic working environment. * Excellent working knowledge of Health and Safety. * Excellent working knowledge of Equality and Diversity. * Ability to provide and accept constructive feedback. * Proven ability to make decisions and develop others in this area. * Ability to manage work under pressure. | * Knowledge of legislation in relation to the client group (i. e. British veterans) and mental health. * Knowledge of current developments in veterans’ mental health. * Knowledge of veteran culture and veteran agencies. * Experience of public-facing work, such as speaking about art therapy at exhibitions or conferences. * Experience of curating exhibitions. * Published work on art therapy. * Supervising art therapy clinical placements. |
| Personal Attributes | * Ability to contain, explore, and formulate an understanding of high levels of distress both directly with clients and indirectly via supervision. * Ability to form good working relationships with others in an interdisciplinary setting. * Openness to the supervisory relationship and to team or professional colleague support systems. * Ability to identify and employ mechanisms of clinical governance as appropriate, to support and maintain clinical practice. * Interest and ability to contribute to service development. * Self-motivated. * Works to deadlines. * Supportive to colleagues of all disciplines. * Flexible approach to work. * Conscientious and understanding of accountability. * Smart appearance and professional manner. * Committed to personal and professional development. * Motivated to maintaining high standards in a changing service. | * Ability to teach and train others, using a variety of multi-media materials suitable for presentations within public, professional, and academic settings. |
| Other Requirements | * Enhanced DBS / Disclosure Scotland * Ability to attend the England South Hub treatment centre in Leatherhead, Surrey for the residential programmes and some outpatient sessions. * Ability to work online. |  |